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SUBJ: TIMES OF ZAMBIA FRONT-PAGES WARMED OVER NKOMO ANC HOSTILE
CRITICISM OF U.S.

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1. FRONT PAGE ARTICLE IN JANUARY 5 TIMES OF ZAMBIA DESCRIBES
NKOMO ANC CRITICISM OF THE U.S. POSITION AND SECRETARY KISSINGER'S
ROLE IN SEEKING A NEGOTIATED RHODESIAN SETTLEMENT. ARTICLE
CONSISTED OF EXTENSIVE QUOTES FROM THE EDITORIAL OF THE SEPT/OCT
ISSUE OF THE NKOMO ANC ZIMBABWE REVIEW, WHICH APPEARED IN
LUSAKA THE FIRST PART OF DECEMBER, A COPY WHICH WAS POUCHED TO
DEPT. AF/E DEC. 23.

2. EDITORIAL ATTACKS KISSINGER PROPOSALS AS A WAY OF IMPOSING
A SOLUTION IN RHODESIA WHICH WOULD LEAVE SMITH IN THE SADDLE
AND THE NATIONALISTS POWERLESS TO RETURN TO THE U.N. FOR A
RE-ISOLATION OF THE REGIME AND REIMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS. THE
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EDITORIAL REJECTS FURTHER TALKS ON THE INDEPENDENCE OF RHODESIA
CALLING ONLY FOR DISCUSSION ON THE TRANSFER OF POWER AND THE
DEPOSIT OF POWER, NOT THE SHADOW OF IT, IN THE HANDS OF THE
NATIONALISTS. THE USG IS ADVISED TO STOP PROPPING UP THE SMITH
REGIME ECONOMICALLY. THE KISSINGER PROPOSALS ARE CHARACTERIZED
AS A SCHEME BY WHICH THE RHODESIAN REGIME WOULD BE LEGALIZED
AND ACCEPTED INTERNATIONALLY. END UNCLASSIFIED

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COMM: IT IS NOT CLEAR WHY THE NKOMO ANC EDITORIAL SHOULD
HAVE BEEN RESURRECTED AT THIS POINT. IT PROJECTS A RADICAL
IMAGE OF NKOMO JUST BEFORE A FRONT LINE PRESIDENTS' MEETING
WITH THE NATIONALISTS, GIVING HIM BOTH GREATER ACCEPTABILITY
AND SOMEWHAT MORE FLEXIBILITY IN MAKING COMPROMISES. BUT THE
REASON MAY BE AS SIMPLE AS THAT THE TIMES WAS ONLY NOW GETTING
AROUND TO READING ITS MAIL. END CONFIDENTIAL
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